6. K. Matthan, Esq., B.A., Inspector-General of Education in Mysore, Bangalore.
7. G. H. Krumbiegel, Esq., F.R.H.S., Offg. Director of Agriculture in Mysore, Bangalore.
8. S. G. Forbes, Esq., B.Sc., E. & M.E., MEM. A.I.E.E., Chief Electrical Engineer in Mysore, Bangalore.
9. P. G. D'Souza, Esq., B.A., B.L., Chief Secretary to Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.
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12. B. V. Ramaiengar, Esq., B.A., Conservator of Forests in Mysore, Bangalore.
13. B. Jayaram, Esq., F.G.S., Director of Geology in Mysore, Bangalore.
14. K. H. Ramayya, Esq., B.A., BAR.-AT-LAW., Registrar of Co-operative Societies in Mysore, Bangalore.
15. B. K. Garudachar, Esq., Bangalore (selected from among the members of the Board of Industries and Commerce).
16. M. Ramachendra Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L., Advocate, Bangalore City (selected from among the members of the Board of Education).
17. S. Venkatesiah, Esq., B.A., B.L., Advocate, Hassan (selected from among the members of the Board of Education).
18. C. Narasimhayya, Esq., B.A., B.L., Advocate, Mysore (selected from among the members of the Board of Agriculture).
19. M. S. Linge Gowda, Esq., Agricultural Union, Bangalore (selected from among the members of the Board of Agriculture).
20. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib, Esq., B.A., B.L., Secretary, Economic Conference (Secretary).

C. RANGANATHA RAO SAHIB,
Secretary to Government,
Development Departments.

Additional Members for the Central Boards of the Economic Conference.

ORDER No. D. 4652—706—E. C. 12-26-5, DATED BANGALORE, 21ST DECEMBER, 1926.

The Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore are pleased to appoint the following persons as additional members of the three Central Boards of the Economic Conference in pursuance of para 2 of Government Order No. Rel. 142-213—E. C. 8-26-1, dated 22nd September 1926, increasing the strength of the Boards.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

1. Mr. N. S. Subba Rao, M.A., Bar.-at-Law., Principal, Maharaja's College, Mysore.
2. ,, B. Venkatanaranappa, M.A., Professor of Physics (Retired). Central College, Bangalore.
3. ,, P. G. D'Souza, B.A., B.L., Chief Secretary to Government. (*Ex-officio* Secretary, Education Department.)

BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

1. Mr. A. K. Yegna Narayana Iyer, M.A., (Madras), Dipl. in Agri. (Cant.) N. D. D (Eng.), F.C.S.
2. ,, M. G. Rama Rao, B.A., Conservator of Forests. (Retired.)
3. ,, C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib, B.A., B.L., (*Ex-officio*) Secretary to Government, Development Departments.

BOARD OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE.

1. Mr. V. Rangaswami Iyengar, B.C.E., Director of Industries and Commerce. (Retired.)
2. ,, V. S. Sambasiva Iyer, B.Sc., L.C.E., Professor of Geology. (Retired.)
3. ,, C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib, B.A., B.L., (*Ex-officio*) Secretary to Government, Development Departments.

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LOCAL AND LEGISLATIVE SECRETARIAT.

Civil Justice.

READ—

The report on the Administration of Civil Justice in Mysore for the year 1925-26, received from the Registrar, Chief Court, with his letter No. P. 41 of 25-26, dated the 11th October 1926.

ORDER No. P. 2654-64—CTS. 135-26-3, DATED 17TH DECEMBER 1926.

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2. *Number of Courts.*—The additional Sub-Court at Mysore which was sanctioned for a period of one year from 1st July 1924, to relieve congestion in the Mysore Division (principally of appeals) was further continued till the end of December 1926. There were at the close of the year 3 District Judges' Courts, 4 Subordinate Judges' Courts of which one was temporary and 23 Munsiffs' Courts.

3. *Village Courts.*—Eight new Village Courts were established during the year and one of the existing courts was abolished. The total number of courts in existence at the end of the year was 201, of which 118 were working. Orders were passed abolishing with effect from 1st July 1926, 49 Village Courts which were doing little or no work for a long time.

4. *Original Work* (*a*) *Institutions.*—The institutions showed a further rise as compared with the previous year, the number being 37,822 suits against 36,397 in the year 1924-25. Of these 15,749 suits were ordinary and 22,073 Small Causes, against 15,047 and 21,350 respectively in the year 1924-25.

(*b*) *Disposals.*—The disposals during the year were 16,481 ordinary and 22,273 Small Causes against 16,144 and 21,279 respectively in the year 1924-25. It is satisfactory that the disposals have exceeded the institutions, due chiefly to the exertions by the Munsiffs whose work compares favourably with that of the Munsiffs elsewhere in India. It is, however, noticed that the number of applications for setting aside ex-parte decrees and orders of dismissal is rather large and that the number of suits refiled and remanded is also high. It is hoped that suits are not disposed of ex-parte or for default merely for the sake of statistics.

(*c*) *Duration.*—The durations of contested, ordinary and Small Cause suits show a satisfactory fall from 641·2 days and 274·1 days respectively in 1924-25 to 549·19 days and 231·76 days respectively in the year under review. There is still great scope for further reduction.

5. *Execution of Decrees.*—Including 26,073 applications pending from the previous year, there were for disposal 69,451 applications for execution of decrees against 66,444 in 1924-25. Of these 41,133 were disposed of leaving 28,318 pending. Government regret to note that in spite of their observations in the reviews of the previous years' reports no improvement is noticed in the execution of decrees. It is hoped that this branch of work will receive greater attention on the part of the presiding officers of courts. The percentage of applications that proved wholly infructuous decreased slightly from 61 in the previous year to 60 in the year under review.

6. *Appeals in Subordinate Appellate Courts.*—The number of appeals filed or received by transfer in the courts of the District Judges and Sub-Judges was 996 against 1,109 in 1924-25. Including 850 pending from the previous year (after excluding 186 transferred from court to court) there were for disposal 1,846 appeals against 1,843 in 1924-25. Of these, 934 appeals were disposed of leaving 912 pending disposal against 1,036 in the year 1924-25. As observed in the previous year's review, the disposals have not kept pace with the institutions.

7. The average duration of appeals in the Sub-Judges' Courts fell from 612·75 days in 1924-25 to 438·01 days in the year under review which is satisfactory, but it rose in the District Judges' Courts from 384·03 days in 1924-25 to 406·77 days, due chiefly to the high figures in the District Judge's Court, Bangalore, for which no explanation is forthcoming.

8. *Chief Court.*—The Chief Court had before them 1,792 cases of all classes as against 1,576 cases in the year 1924-25 and of these they disposed of 724 in the year under review as against 769 in the previous year. The number of cases disposed of by the Chief Court has been on the decline for the past three years, the figures being 829 in the year 1923-24, 769 in the year 1924-25 and 724 in 1925-26.

(*i*) *First appeals.*—Four hundred and nine appeals were filed during the year against 447 in the year 1924-25. Of these 31 appeals were transferred to the District Judge, Bangalore Division. Including 524 appeals pending from the previous year (exclusive of 70 appeals transferred to the District Judge, Bangalore Division), there were for disposal 902 appeals as against 854 in 1924-25. The number disposed of was only 177 leaving 725 appeals pending. The number of disposals of first appeals is steadily going down for the last three years, 309 appeals having been disposed of in the year 1923-24, 260 in the year 1924-25 and 177 in the year under review, and

have fallen far short of the institutions. The fall is attributed to the complicated nature of the appeals and the time taken up for arguments.

(*ii*) *Second appeals.*—The number of second appeals filed was 238 against 177 in the year previous. Including 93 appeals pending from the previous year there were 331 second appeals for disposal. Of these 151 appeals were disposed of against 143 in 1924-25 leaving 180 pending disposal against 93 in 1924-25. The number is slightly higher than in the previous year, but much less than the institutions.

(*iii*) *Average duration.*—The average duration showed a further rise both in the case of first and second appeals, the figures being 483·1 days in 1923-24, 510·51 days in 1924-25 and 541·80 days in the year under review in the case of first appeals, and 180·77 days against 143·27 days in 1924-25 for second appeals.

9. *Inspections.*—The Chief Judge inspected all the District Judges' Courts, Subordinate Judges' Courts and 20 Munsiffs' Courts and Mr. Justice D. K. Rama Rao inspected two Munsiffs' Courts. The only Court that was not inspected by any of the Judges of the Chief Court was the Munsiff's Court at Narasimharajapura. The District Judges inspected all the Courts in their respective jurisdictions.

10. *General.*—The report of the Laws' Delays Committee has been received and the opinion of the Chief Court on the various recommendations of the Committee is awaited.

B. NAGAPPA,
Secretary to Government,
Local and Legislative Departments.

FINANCIAL SECRETARIAT.

Report on the working of the Mysore State Life Insurance Scheme.

READ—

Letter No. 10364, dated 17th November 1926, from the Secretary, Mysore State Life Insurance Committee, submitting the report on the working of the Mysore State Life Insurance Scheme during 1925-26 along with the Auditor's report on the examination of the books of the Insurance Office.

ORDER No. FL. 4815-64—G. F. 101-26-2, DATED 18TH DECEMBER 1926.

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2. Government are glad to note that the working of the Insurance Department during the year under review has been quite satisfactory. The closing balance of the Insurance Fund in the Official and Public Branches was Rs. 73,09,811 and Rs. 6,58,072 against Rs. 67,66,575 and Rs. 4,56,091 respectively in the preceding year. The cost of management has been brought down to 4·11 per cent of premium income from 5·50 per cent in 1924-25. The annual report along with the Auditor's report has been sent on the due date and audited figures have been adopted throughout.

3. It is observed however that both in the Official Branch and in the Public Branch, there has been a fall in the number of proposals dealt with during the year. The report does not explain what this is due to. It is hoped that with the increased facilities afforded to the public to insure in the Public Branch the number of cases dealt with in the Public Branch will hereafter show a steady improvement. The proportion of rejected proposals to those accepted during the year in the Official Branch is also higher than usual. The relative figures for the Public Branch have not been given. This may be furnished in future.

B. SRINIVASA IYENGAR,
Financial Secretary to Government.

DEVELOPMENT SECRETARIAT.

Report of the Civil Veterinary Department.

READ—

Report on the working of the Civil Veterinary Department during the year 1925-26, received with letter No. Per. 27—26-27, dated the 17th September 1926, from the Director of Agriculture in Mysore.

ORDER No. D. 4391-453—C. V. 27-26-3, DATED 17TH DECEMBER 1926.

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